Atlanta Fire Rescue Department In-Rem Work Session April 20, 2022



AFRD Hazards of Vacant Structures

- Number of responses

- Code Enforcement Notification Process





YTD, since fiscal year 2021, there have been 62 fires in vacant and unsecured structures. Average of 9 per quarter.

 The Atlanta Fire Rescue Department's Assessment and Planning Division captures a list of every working fire that occur in vacant and unsecured structures from 2021 to year to date. Historically, this list was shared quarterly with the Atlanta Police Department's Code Enforcement Division but was interrupted in 2021 due to a new reporting system migration. The issue has since been resolved and reporting will resume as normal.



FIRES IN VACANT AND UNSECURED STRUCTURES

QUARTER	2021	2022
Q-1	6	6
Q-2	11	5
Q-3	9	15
Q-4	10	



78-57- Fire Prevention Code



- Paragraph 311.5 (Placards), Section 311 (Vacant Premises) in the Fire Prevention Code of the City of Atlanta shall read as follows:
 - 311.5.1 Placard Specifications. Any building or structure determined to be unsafe, shall be placarded. This structure has been determined by the fire marshal of the City of Atlanta to be dangerous, unsafe, unsound, and unfit for human habitation or occupancy.

311.5.2 Placard legend. The color designation of the placards shall have the following meanings.

311.5.2.1 Green placards shall indicate that firefighters should proceed with caution and state the following:

WARNING! BY ORDER OF THE FIRE MARSHAL, THIS STRUCTURE IS DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE.



311.5.2.2 Red placards shall indicate that firefighters should not enter property (unless for life safety) and conduct defensive operations and state the following:

WARNING! BY ORDER OF THE FIRE MARSHAL, THIS STRUCTURE IS DANGEROUS AND UNSAFE.



